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# The Hongkong Telegraph.

ESTABLISHED 1881.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1896.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
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ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per  
annum on the Daily Balances.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
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Hongkong, 16th September, 1895.

CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS  
USED FOR 20 YEARS.  
With the Utmost Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood  
and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus  
Rot and Dampproof.

Sole Agents for China,  
SCHEELE & CO.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.

Intimations.

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PETROLEUM ENGINES

OF 2 TO 12 H.P.

FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

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THE CLUB HOTEL,

5, BUUND, YOKOHAMA.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.

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The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggages and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of staying either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

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Hongkong, 21st June, 1896.

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THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY

has a long record of GOOD SERVICES to  
refer to; its FUNDS, annually increasing,  
amount to \$8,000,402. The premiums are  
moderate; and all modern features consistent  
with safety have been adopted.

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Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896.

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LIMITED.

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WE have This Day been appointed  
AGENTS, and are prepared to accept  
RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1896.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000  
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....\$2,480,533  
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA.....\$75,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the  
above Company we are prepared to accept  
EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS  
at CURRENT RATES.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1896.

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COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undesignated AGENTS of the above  
Company are prepared to accept First  
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at  
CURRENT RATES.

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Hongkong, 28th May, 1896.

GENERAL NOTICE.

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LIMITED.

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333-33  
EQUAL TO ..... } \$833,333-33  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the  
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HEAD OFFICE—8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1896.

NOTICE.

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MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,  
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payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,  
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HEAD OFFICE,

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th Nov., 1896.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day commenced Business as a  
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

SCHEELE & CO.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1896.

W. POWELL & CO.

IMMENSE STOCK

OF

LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S

HOSIERY,

SUITABLE FOR

AUTUMN AND WINTER WEAR.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1896.

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY.  
VEAL SAUSAGES.

## Intimation.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO DATE REMARKS

SYDNEY, &c. Malacca G. C. Henning, R.N.R. .... 11 A.M., 17th Oct. Freight or Passage.

LONDON Java J. Chellow, R.N.R. .... Noon, 17th Oct. Freight or Passage.

JAPAN, &c. Japan T. Leigh .... About 17th Oct. (Passing through the Island Sea.) Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI Khedive .... About 17th Oct. Freight or Passage.

STRAITS AND BOMBAY Brindisi T. Wickenden .... About 21st Oct. Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c. Pekin J. F. Johnson .... Noon, 22nd Oct. Freight or Passage.

JAPAN ... Ancona W. D. Madie .... Noon, 23rd Oct. (Passing through the Island Sea.) Freight or Passage.

LONDON ... Ceylon E. G. Andrews .... About 29th Oct. Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1896.

## Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN  
AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE EASTERN AGENTS FOR

THE ALUMINIUM AND GENERAL FOUNDRY CO.

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1896.

Intimation.

**W. BOFFEY & Co.**

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Have an entirely NEW STOCK of WOOLLENS to suit the Present and Coming Season,  
Consisting of:-

FANCY SUITINGS, DRESS, FROCK and MORNING COAT SUITINGS, ULSTER and  
OVERCOATINGS, BREECHES and RIDING MATERIALS in variety.

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1896.

Intimations.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IT is hereby notified that the HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS are to carry out GUN PRACTICE from the North side of Stone Cutters' Island in a North-Westerly direction TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, between the hours of 3 P.M. and 6 P.M.

All Ships, Yachts, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1896. [149]

TELEGRAMS.

(From 'Diario de Manila')

IMPORTANT ARRESTS.

MADRID, October 6th.

The official reporter of the Supreme Court has been arrested.

A warrant for the arrest of Don Eduardo Caballero Puga has been issued.

THE WAR IN CUBA.

MADRID, October 7th.

The columns of Grancias and Bernal have had an encounter with the forces of the Rebel Leader Macos and completely routed them. The rebels lost altogether nearly 200 killed and over that number wounded. On our side we have to lament the loss of the brave Lieut.-Col. Romero, one officer, and a number of officers and soldiers wounded. Macos was killed.

[The number of lives Macos has been reported killed is astounding. Probably the next batch of telegrams from Madrid will contain a report concerning another "brush" with the enemy and the discovery of Macos's body among the slain. We are afraid this report of a victory is not quite true, for a few days ago Reuter reported that the royal forces recently experienced two severe reverses in Cuba, and it is therefore clear that even assuming this is a true report of a victory there can be little doubt that it had very little effect on the main body of Macos's troops.]

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The British gunboat *Zembla* is at Hakodate.

H.M.S. *Immortalis* is due at Chemulpo, Korea, to-morrow.

Her Majesty's storeship *Humber* sails for Shanghai and Japan on Monday, the 19th inst., with stores for the vessels in northern waters.

H.M.S. *Redpole* will cast off from her buoy in Wanchai Bay to-morrow and gliding gracefully through Ly-ee-moon Pass will make the best of her way to Shanghai.

\* \* \* We are requested to state that the P. & O. mail liner *Keddie*, which arrived with the mail this afternoon, will leave for Shanghai at 5 p.m. to-morrow, the 17th inst.

Mr. Jas. W. Davidson, the special correspondent of several leading American dailies, arrived here to-day from Manila, where he is, presumably, being driven into the ins and outs of the rebellion in the Philippines.

MESSRS. MELCHERS & CO., the local agents, notify by advertisement in this issue that the Russian Volunteer Fleet steamer *Saratov* is on the berth loading for Singapore, Port Said and Odessa, to which ports she will also carry passengers. She sails hence 24th instant.

THE Happy Valley Recreation Ground now represents a busy scene of an afternoon, games of golf, cricket, football and hockey being generally in progress there. The blue-jacketed men of the ships now in harbour seem to thoroughly appreciate this excellent play-ground, for they often make good use of it, and we are always glad to see them there.

WITH reference to the paragraph in last night's issue re the St. John's Ambulance classes, formerly conducted by Dr. Canille, we are pleased to be in position to state that Dr. F. W. Clark, who has held the post of lecturer and examiner to the above Society for the last ten years, would be willing to deliver a course of lectures provided proper arrangements could be made. We hope that those interested in "First Aid" will communicate with Dr. Clark, and that a class will shortly be formed.

In the Opening Match to-morrow (the following members will represent the Flint XI. of the Hongkong Cricket Club)—Surgeon-Major Johnstone, Capt. Eccles, R.H.A., Capt. Ferguson, R.E., Rev. G. R. Vallings, J. H. Thresher, R.E., G. D. Campbell, H.K.R., R. G. Anderson, H.K.R., K. W. Monsey, A. S. Anton, E. Mast, R. H. Hancock and H. Arthur. Play will commence at 11 a.m. Tiffin will be served in the Pavilion. The Band of the Hongkong Regiment will, by permission of Major Retallack and the Officers, play during the afternoon.

MR. HIYAMA Teisuke, President of the Law Court at Horisho, Formosa, has married a daughter of a chief of the savages, says an Osaka paper, and recently collected four savages and organized them into two battalions, which were subdivided into eleven companies, a savage chief being appointed to the command of each company and battalion. Mr. Hiyama making himself the Commander-in-Chief. They were drilled daily in military exercises and evolutions. The other day Mr. Hiyama had a review of his little "army" with satisfactory results. He was much pleased, and after the business of the day was finished he provided his soldiers with festivites on a modest scale. He addressed a speech to them in the savage language, in the course of which he said that though there was a regular army stationed for the protection of the island, he had organized this militia force in compliance with the earnest desire of his men. Then he ordered all to go away immediately who would not be willing to obey his commands absolutely. The savages listened to his speech with profound attention and respect, and all swore to live and die with their Commander-in-Chief. The upshot, Mr. Hiyama established rules for the periodic inspection and mobilization of the army, and then disbanded them. It is not stated how they were armed, or what the Government thinks of the levy.—*Chronicle*.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 16th October.

The Transfer Books of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 23rd inst., inclusive.

8.30 p.m.—Performance in the Hall of Mysteries, Duddell Street.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

TO-MORROW, 17th October.

2.30 p.m.—Extraordinary general meeting of members of the Hongkong Jockey Club at the City Hall.

3 and 5 p.m.—Gun practice from the North side of Stonecutters' Island.

SUNDAY, 18th October.

Noon—Olympic leaves for Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, via steamship of full

THE CONCERT AT THE PEAK.

Last evening a most enjoyable Ballad Concert was given in the spacious dining-room of the Peak Hotel, in aid of the funds of the Benevolent Society, by a few of our leading amateurs, under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor, Major-General Black and Commodore Holland. The room had been tastefully arranged, the stage being prettily draped and adorned with numerous palms and ferns, while two excellent standard lamps with coloured shades shed a subdued light over the whole and added greatly to the artistic effect. The concert room was crowded, and we noticed His Excellency the Governor, Major-General Black, Mrs. and Miss Black, the Commodore and Mrs. Holland, many Naval and Military officers, and members of the bar and medical profession and, in fact, the very *creme de la creme* of Hongkong society among the audience. The programme was not strictly adhered to. It was, if the truth must be told, rather a list of songs that were not sung, than a programme properly so called.

Among the lady vocalists Mrs. Vallings is especially deserving of praise. Choosing the old ballads for her songs she sings them with exquisite taste and feeling, while their great simplicity renders them particularly adapted to her sweet soprano voice. Mrs. Vallings first sang "Twickenham Ferry" and on an encore being called for gave an excellent rendering of the old Scotch ballad "My love she's but a lass yet," both of which were enthusiastically applauded. Later in the evening Mrs. Vallings sang "Caller Herlin" with Wahala and I'll come to you, my lad" as an encore, the latter being the gem of the evening. It is to be regretted that the public so seldom have the opportunity of hearing this talented vocalist. Miss Coxon's rendering of Godard's "Berceuse" was excellent, her pronunciation being perfect. "The dearest spot on Earth" was given as an encore, both songs being greeted with loud applause. In the second part Miss Coxon sang Campana's "Duet." See the pale Moon" with Mr. Silman, the two voices blending exquisitely. The only other lady vocalist was Mrs. Welman, who sang "When thy Blue Eyes, Lassie, in a rich contralto voice.

Mr. Silman's rich tenor voice was displayed to great advantage in "An Evening Song" by Blumenthal, which was greatly appreciated by the audience. He is certainly entitled to a high place in the ranks of our local singers. "Is love a dream?" from the *Artist's Model*, was sung by Mr. Grace in his rich and powerful baritone, of which the Hongkong public are never likely to tire if one may judge from the reception accorded him. As an encore he sang "My love is come," Mr. Grayson sang "The Gay Tomit," a new and amusing song from *The Artist's Model*, describing the various wiles adopted by a certain Miss Jenny Wren in order to attract the notice of Tom Tit. *Laure*, who was currently reported to be a bit of a ladies' man. By far the greatest musical treat of the evening were the two violin solos by Mr. Goffe, who is certainly a master of that instrument. As an encore to German's "Salterello" he gave the *Intermezzo* from *Cavalleria Rusticana*, both of which were loudly applauded. In the second part he played Boism's "Elegie" No. 4 of 6 Impromptus, in which his delicacy of touch and brilliant execution was well displayed. It is a great pity that so many of the average audience always seem to consider a violin or pianoforte solo a good opportunity for conversation, as it distracts those who wish to enjoy the music.

Mr. Goffe had the thankless task of opening both the first and second parts of the programme with a pianoforte solo, which were rendered with excellent feeling and expression, the pianist having thoroughly grasped the weird effects of Grieg's style, as was proved by the able manner in which he executed the "Norwegian Wedding Dance" of that composer. Chopin's "Polonaise," which opened the second part, was excellently rendered, although excellently rendered, was scarcely audible above the din of talking and the noise of people resuming their seats.

The programme was as follows:—

PART I.

- 1—Pianoforte..... Norwegian Wedding Dance..... Greig.
- 2—Song..... An Evening Song..... Blumenthal.
- 3—Song..... Duet..... Mr. Silman.
- 4—Song..... Twickenham Ferry..... Mrs. Vallings.
- 5—Viola..... Salterello..... E. German.
- 6—Song..... Berceuse..... Mr. Goffe.
- 7—Piano..... Intermezzo..... Godard.

PART II.

- 1—Pianoforte..... Polonaise..... Chopin.
- 2—Song..... Is love a dream?..... Artist's Model.
- 3—Song..... Caller Herlin..... Mr. Grace.
- 4—Song..... When thy Blue Eyes..... Laemmle.
- 5—Viola..... Salterello..... E. German.
- 6—Song..... Elegie..... Mr. Goffe.
- 7—Duet..... For the pale moon..... Campana.
- 8—Song..... The Gay Tomit..... Artist's Model.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

SHOCKING DEEDS IN THE SOLOMON ISLANDS.

BARON VON NORBECK AND PARTY OF SCIENTISTS MURDERED IN COLD BLOOD.

DETAILS OF THE MASSACRE.

LIST OF THE KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The Sydney papers received by the *Chingis* this morning contain lengthy reports of the murder of several Austrian scientists and of the islands of the Solomon Group. From these reports we summarise from the *Sydney Telegraph* of September 21st as follows:—

The unsigned sorrow which was felt at the news of the massacre of Baron von Norbeck, and other members of his party, on the island of Guadalcanal has not abated; but to it has been added a feeling of considerable astonishment at the circumstance that Capt. Maule Ritter von Kiesenau, commander of the Austrian cruiser *Austria*, should have made such a strong request to Mr. J. Mergell, Austrian Consul in Sydney, to regard the official account of the massacre as strictly confidential. Mr. Mergell, in view of this message, "considered that he has no option but to withhold the information, pending a further communication from the commander of the *Austria*, to whom he has written on the subject." This circumstance is all the more unfortunate, because the conclusions very often flow from information which, however much it might have been given in good faith, might be only half the truth. The only thing that can be learnt from the accounts which have up to the present reached Sydney is that the melancholy end of the Austrian party.

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more horrible in its surroundings, and intensifies the disgust with which it is regarded by members of a civilised race, is that the bodies have not been recovered; and the scorpion, therefore, is that the natives have eaten them.

## A STORY OF THE TRAGEDY.

Uncial letters which have been received in the city say that the massacre took place on August 13th; but this date is said not to agree with that given in the official account. The exact day is, however, not very material. The Austrian man-of-war *Altair* took Baron Fouillon von Norbeck from Sydney to the Solomon Islands, and, after cruising about for a time, an expedition, with the Baron at its head, was organised to visit the Lion's Head. Besides the Baron, the party, it is said, consisted of Lieutenant Budik, Midshipman Armand de Lien Beaufort, another midshipman, 20 sailors, two servants, and two native guides. A start was made from the *Altair*, which was lying at Tenerife, on August 13th. After two days the midshipman, whose name is not given, and several sailors returned to the ship; and when the members of the party who went on reached the foot of the mountains they divided. On the morning of the 14th, the Baron, with Lieutenant Budik and others, started to go to the top of the Lion's Head, and left Midshipman Armand de Beaufort and others at the camp. At this time, although the possibility of being attacked was doubtless taken into account, for the members of the party, except the Baron, seemed to have been armed, the probability of such a contingency does not appear to have been thought likely. Any feeling of security which might have been felt, and which would have been strengthened by the circumstance that before any distance had been covered some natives, who appeared friendly enough, joined the party, was speedily turned into one of great alarm by the party being rushed upon by bushmen armed chiefly with tomahawks. In the encounter the Baron was wounded in the neck, but Lieutenant Budik defended himself with his revolver. The sailors of the party opened fire on the bushmen, who beat a hasty retreat. An examination showed that the Baron was seriously injured, and although he was able to walk back to the camp, subsequently died. In this attack several bushmen were killed. It was found upon arrival back at the camp that the worst fears of the members of the party were fully verified, for De Beaufort and others had been murdered. When those bushmen who remained alive had fled, Lieutenant Budik found himself in charge of men, some dead and some apparently dying; several days' march from all help outside himself and those of his comrades who had escaped with their lives; without the means of administering to the wants of the wounded, and surrounded by a dangerous, bloodthirsty lot of savages, who, for anything he knew, might have decamped only in order to gather fresh strength. In this melancholy situation he decided to leave the tents and the bodies of the dead, and push on as best he might towards the coast. At length a message was delivered at the *Altair*, and a relief party at once organised, and sent to bring back the wounded. This was successfully accomplished, and then a party undertook to go back to the camp to bury the bodies of those who were killed; but the journey was afterwards abandoned, in face of all the difficulties and dangers which surrounded another visit into the bushman's country.

## KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The following is the list of those killed and wounded.—Killed: Baron Fouillon von Norbeck, Midshipman Armand de Lien Beaufort, Seaman Dokovic, Seaman Chalapka, and a native guide from Tenerife. Wounded: Petty-officer Peter Maras (who since died at Cooktown), Petty-officer Koloman Neupur, Seaman Covic, Seaman Covacovich, Seaman Lovric, Seaman Sepic, native guide Johnny Paraman, and Nickel, one of the Baron's servants.

## THE ALTAIR.

As soon as possible after the wounded had been got on board, the *Altair* sailed for Cooktown. The latest advice respecting the vessel is that she will not return to Sydney, but will proceed home.

## THE ISLAND OF GUADALCANAR.

The Solomon Group of Islands, of which Guadalcana is a noted one, for more reasons than one, is situated about 2,000 miles from Sydney, and 500 miles east of New Guinea. Lying in from 13°E. to 16°E. south latitude and 154°E. to 161°E. east longitude, the islands may be said to be in one of the byways of civilization. A British protectorate is established over New Georgia, Guadalcana, Malaita, and San Cristobal, and a German protectorate over Bougainville, Choiseul, and Yatéval; and these islands are the chief of the group. They have been brought into prominence lately by the growing commercial relations between them and other islands of the South Pacific and Sydney, and by the increasing amount of attention with which they are being regarded by missionary organisations. Civilised communities are, however, from time to time reminded in a most unpleasant manner that the inhabitants of some of the Solomon Islands especially, still preserve the savage propensities of their ancestors; that the links which connect them with the civilised world are yet few and weak; and that in these lands, which lie so far away across old ocean's gray and solitary waste, there are fruitful fields for missionary enterprise. The island of Guadalcana, which is for the moment most prominent in the minds of the public, is about 80 miles long and 30 broad. It is said to be amongst the most beautiful and fertile of the group, and offers much attraction to a scientist from the circumstance that it is rich in bird and insect life. Nature, it is said, is never more truly herself than in her grandest form; and if this is so, the mountain of Guadalcana, rising as they do to heights varying from 4,000ft. to 8,000ft., exhibit Nature in her most beautiful dress. The Lion's Head, at the base of which Baron Fouillon von Norbeck and the other ill-fated members of his party lost their lives, lifts its head up 5,000ft. into the clouds. Guadalcana is situated in sufficient proximity to other islands as to have its shores greatly protected from the rough washing of the ocean's swell.

## THE NAVY LEAGUE.

The following is the report of the Hongkong Branch of the Navy League for the year ending 30th September, 1896:

At a meeting of the China Association (Hongkong Branch) held on the 2nd August, 1896, it was unanimously agreed to form a branch of the Navy League in Hongkong, and all the members of the China Association present signified their intention of joining it.

On the 12th September following, 24 members having been enrolled, a meeting was held to form a Committee and the following gentlemen were elected—Messrs. R. Coxon, A. Coxon, J. J. Francis, O.C., W. C. H. Hastings, R.N., A. M. Marshall, E. W. Mitchell, R. Shaw, G. Stewart, A. Tillett, R.N.R.

The Committee appointed Mr. Atwell Coxon as President, and Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Honorary Secretary, for the year.

There are at date 65 members and 22 associates on the books of this Branch.

The accounts have been kindly audited by Mr. L. Kenward Davis.

## ARMED COXON, President.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1896.

The annual meeting will be held on the 21st instant at 5 p.m.

## A HAWARDEN ECLOGUE.

[The Chinese Envoy, who reached Hawarden half an hour before the advertised time, conversed freely on very varied topics with the ex-Premier through the happy medium of Mr. Li Fung-chang. During the entire interview Li Hung-chang refrained from smoking.—*Ex.*]

(SCENE : Drawing-room at Hawarden Castle. Present: The Grand Old Man—Li Hung-chang—Lo Feng-to—Miss Dorothy—Mutes and Servts.)

## GRAND OLD MAN—

How does your Excellency do?

Rude health, I trust? So good of you

To come a shade before the time!

## INTERPRETER—

He plays on your crest sublime;

Old age and honour fall together;

He also likes the peacock feather.

## LI HUNG-CHANG—

I thank you for your courteous word;

It is a rather fetching bird!

And you yourself? You are a bit?

But still you look extremely fit!

Your voice is rich, your eye is bright;

Your waistcoat, I observe, is white;

You ought, upon my word, to mix

A little more in politics.

## INTERPRETER—

His Lordship hopes that Heaven will spread

Large bounties on your honky head.

He also hears that you have spent

Some useful years in Parliament,

And wished very much to know

If this is actually so.

## GRAND OLD MAN—

As politician I have done

More 'time' than almost any one;

But there are council, I confess,

Who freely doubt my usefulness.

## INTERPRETER—

He gives the praise where praise is due,

And says he took his line from you.

## LI HUNG-CHANG—

I gather from a private source

That you possess a naval force.

## INTERPRETER—

He says Britain rules the waves,

And Britons never will be slaves.

## GRAND OLD MAN—

I take it, through no fault of mine,

Our naval power is large and fine;

But, though a necessary evil,

It costs the land the very d—l!

## INTERPRETER—

He says that China has a fleet

Exceptionally hard to beat;

But should you wish in case of war

To do still better than before,

Then, if there's money in your chest,

The British article's the best.

## LI HUNG-CHANG—

(Aside) How strange! when I was on the

Spyce.

The best was "made in Germany."

(Aloud) Pray, what is your opinion, sir,

At the present Premier?

(Host starts out of room unobserved.)

And then, again, about Japan—

(Dicks absent of Host)

Wherever is the Grand Old Man?

(Pause, during which Miss Dorothy

draws furiously near with visitor's book and pink box.) Re-enter G. O. M. with large bundle of monumental volumes.]

## GRAND OLD MAN—

Of each effusion of my pen

Kindly accept a specimen.

## LI HUNG-CHANG—

(Aside) Confucius! how does he suppose

That I can read his barbarous prose?

## INTERPRETER—

(Aloud) His Lordship positively does

On your known Homeric notes;

And as for your remarks on Butler,

He really knows of nothing subtler.

(At a signal Miss Dorothy advances.)

## GRAND OLD MAN—

Your mark, if you will condescend,

Would gratify our little friend.

(Li Hung makes his mark in India.)

G. O. M. continues:]

The signature has much impressed her.

## INTERPRETER—

He says it's time to start for Chester.

## LI HUNG-CHANG—

(To G. O. M.) Adieu, mon host! the hour

is ripe.

(To Interpreter.) Come on, I'm dying for a pipe.

[Envoy is carried out in his very own

chair of NAUTICUS.] in World.

## CURE—OR KILL.

To those who are watching the march of

events in China there can be but little doubt

that she has now arrived at the most critical

point in her modern history. The course

which will be shaped for her, or by her, in the next few

months—or even months—must either lead her to

a land of new things or wreck her on the rocks

of dismemberment. If ever there have been

moments when the serious attention of every

British official, as well as of every British trader,

required to be called to the welfare of British

interests in the East, those moments have now

arrived. The *Upper Nila* expedition, the

casualty of which has been mentioned above,

has been a severe blow to the British forces in

the East, and it is to be hoped that the

success of the *Altair* will be a cheering

factor in the final result.

At the opening of the A. J. C. Spring Meeting at Randwick on Saturday the Derby was won by Chaser; the Epsom Handicap by Steward; and the Spring Stakes by Newhaven. Newhaven is now first favourite for the V. R. C. Derby and the Melbourne Cup at odds and 10 to 1 against respectively.

BIRSBY, September 15th.

Peter Kemp, ex-chamberlain of the

Bank of New Zealand, the Minister for

Lands and one of the members of the Commission

had some hot words, and were only prevented

from coming to blows by the intercession of

other members of the Commission.

ADELAIDE, September 23rd.

Mr. Gillen, Commissioner of Crown Lands,

died very suddenly during a Cabinet meeting

yesterday. Death is supposed to be due to

heart disease.

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1. LARCO (from the Philharmonic Sonatas in E flat, Op. 7). Beethoven.
2. TENOR ARIA: "Then shall" (Elijah) Mendelssohn.
3. (a) LIEDER OHNE WORTE (No. 5, Book 6) Mendelssohn.
4. BASS ARIA: "I am Enough" (Elijah) Mendelssohn.
5. MARCH FUNEREE (composed on the death of a hero) Beethoven.
6. ALTO RECITAL: "Art" (Elijah) Mendelssohn.
7. ADAGIO (from the 3rd Symphony) Mendelssohn.
8. SOPRANO SOLO: "On wings of song will I take thee" Mrs. HAGEN.
9. WAR MARCH OF THE PRIESTS (Athalie) Mendelssohn.
10. ORGAN SONAT IN C MINOR. Mendelssohn.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. 1583

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